

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of South Tucson, Arizona, held Monday, April 9, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the City of South Tucson Council Chambers, 1601 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South Tucson, Arizona.

Council Present:     Bob Teso  
                             Herman Lopez  
                             Paul Diaz  
                             Vanessa Mendoza  
                             Rita Rogers  
                             Anita Romero

Staff Present:             Veronica Moreno, Interim City Manager/City Clerk  
                             Marilyn Chico, Housing Authority Director  
                             Angel Lopez, Public Works Director  
                             Chief Amado, Public Safety  
                             Bobby Yu, City Attorney  
                             Alan Benz, Housing Governing Board (resident)

Mayor Teso called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #03 – INVOCATION – Vice-Mayor Lopez led the Invocation.

ITEM #04 – ROLL CALL – All members of the Council were present, except for Councilman Patino, who was excused.

ITEM #05 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Mayor Teso: Next we'll have the Call to the Audience. Speakers are limited to a three minute oral presentation and may submit written comments of any length for the City Clerk's files. Those wishing to address the Council should complete a Citizen Information card prior to the meeting being called to order, which shall specify the topic to be addressed. Individual City Council members may respond to criticism made by those individuals who have addressed the Council and may ask staff to review a matter and place it on a future agenda. However, the Council will not discuss or take action on a matter raised during a Call to the Audience that is not already on the agenda. Any persons wishing to address the Mayor and Council in Call to Audience may please come up to the podium and state your name and address for the record. Time allowed is three minutes.

(No response from the audience)

ITEM #06 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Special Meeting, April 2, 2018

Mayor Teso: Do I hear a motion for approval of minutes as presented?

Councilwoman Rogers: I have just a question on, is that the April 2<sup>nd</sup> ones? Right? April 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes.

Mayor Teso: Yes, right.

Councilwoman Rogers: 'Cause I, for me, if I were coming in and there's three seats up in November and people were new and wanting to read the minutes.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: There were a lot of people here. And where it says other, it pretty much shows that there was the old Council, the new Council and, but I don't know what other means. I believe it probably maybe means Call to the Audience, but it should say what it means. 'Cause there were way more than three others. 'Cause the topic is present.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: Is present. So there were only three present? No, ...

Mayor Teso: No.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... there weren't. So that's a correction. I don't like to just pass minutes because they're ...

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... typed. So that's my, my submission of a correction. And it should say Call to the Audience.

Mayor Teso: Can, can that change be made?

Councilwoman Rogers: And then I have another ...

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... subject about minutes. Now, in the past when I was running for Council, it was stated many times, several times to me that the reason there were so many inaudibles in the minutes because that Council did not use the microphone. And today, we still have no microphones. I suggest that we have the meetings with microphones for the public so that the minutes don't have, I can't remember how many I counted, twenty-five, inaudibles. So say what Mr. Diaz had to say, inaudible, inaudible. Maybe he needed those to protect himself. But they're inaudible. So that's another suggestion under minutes.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilwoman Rogers: So we don't have twenty-five inaudibles.

Mayor Teso: Okay. So, these aren't working right now.

Councilwoman Rogers: That's what I was told.

Mayor Teso: Yes?

Mr. Yu: Mayor Teso, members of the Council, is there a motion for a correction of the minutes?

Councilman Diaz: I make a motion that approval of minutes of Special Meeting April 2nd, 2018.

Councilwoman Rogers: Second.

Councilman Diaz: Okay. So you have a motion and that was the discussion on it, yes. On the minutes. Okay.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Can I just interject for a second, Mayor?

Mayor Teso: Sure.

Councilwoman Mendoza: I believe that we needed a motion with the correction in it.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilman Diaz: (Inaudible) discussion. Now it needs to be.

Councilwoman Mendoza: So you needed an approval of minutes with the correction 'cause they need to be able to correct the minutes according to what Ms. Rogers wants.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilman Diaz: Next we do, so you need to ask for a motion to ...

Councilwoman Rogers: I could ...

Councilman Diaz: ... (inaudible).

Councilwoman Rogers: ... so move it again.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Mr. Attorney, jump in here at any time.

Councilman Diaz: We need a motion to amend.

Mr. Yu: Was that a motion to, to approve the minutes with that correction?

Councilman Diaz: That's, the first motion is to approve the minutes. The motion after the discussion should be the motion to amend the minutes.

Councilwoman Rogers: Correct.

Ms. Moreno: If I may, Mayor?

Mayor Teso: Yes.

Ms. Moreno: Can I just make a motion and you repeat what I say so that it can be stated in the manner which Councilwoman Rogers made it? So if someone could please make a motion saying that you move to accept the minutes as presented with correction stated by Councilwoman Rogers. So, make that motion. The minutes will reflect the changes that she made on the record, as stated.

Councilman Diaz: Okay.

Councilwoman Rogers: So moved.

Ms. Moreno: That's her motion. Let the record reflect that Ms. Rogers ...

Councilwoman Mendoza: Second.

Ms. Moreno: Okay. Thank you.

Mayor Teso: Any other discussion?

(No discussion from the Council)

All ayes, no nays. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Moreno: And I'd like to just make one more comment before we move on, Mayor. I know that a lot of us, the newly elected Council that are still new, so we're going to be really patient when it comes to making motions and we'll work with you.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Ms. Moreno: We're here to give you guidance to make sure that everything that you say and whatever motions that you recommended are stated on the record as presented and that we clearly hear who's making the motion, how it's being presented, and who's making the second. And it's our job to make sure we guide you (inaudible) I typically will turn to the attorney and I know that's what Councilwoman Mendoza did, so I'm going to look at you, Mr. Attorney, to make sure that you give them the proper legal recommendation on how to make that statement on the record. I don't want to be put in that position because this is more of a legal thing, but if I can chime in from time to time and just try to help to make a statement so it says what you are intending to say. Feel free to correct me

at any time to make sure that whatever the Council is recommending is stated. And just moving forward, we will have some formal training to make sure that everything is done in that format.

Mayor Teso: Thank you.

Councilwoman Rogers: Mayor Teso, Mr. Yu has his hand up.

Mr. Yu: Mayor Teso, members of the Council, is there a statement that, that previous motion passed?

Mayor Teso: I think I did say that, yes. Motion passed. The next item is to move the agenda. We want to move the presentation, number 13, Presentation of Proclamation for the National Day of Prayer.

#### ITEM #13 – PROCLAMATION

Mayor Teso: There's a Proclamation here and I will read it off. City of South Tucson, Office of the Mayor, Proclamation, whereas the 67<sup>th</sup> observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, our theme will be "Prayer for America Unity", based upon Ephesians 4:3, which challenges us to mobilize unified public prayer for America, making every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace. Whereas a national day of prayer has been part of our national heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775 and the United States Congress in 1952, approved as a joint resolution that the President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a national day of prayer on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches and groups and as individuals and whereas the United States Congress in 1988, by public law, 100-307, as amended, establishes an act to provide for setting aside the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in May as the day on which the National Day of Prayer is celebrated and, whereas, leaders and citizens of our communities, cities, states and nation are afforded the privilege of prayer with the joy of seeking Divine guidance, strength, protection, and comfort from Almighty God and, whereas, recognizing the love of God, we citizens of South Tucson treasure the freedom to gather in prayer, exercising reliance on God's power in the face of present challenges and threats, asking for his blessing on every individual of our county. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City of South Tucson hereby proclaims Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, to be National Day of Prayer. Passed and adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.

Unknown: I just want to thank you, Mayor and Council, men and women, for the honor and the opportunity to receive this declaration this day. And on behalf of myself and the National Day of Prayer, we just want to thank you guys so much. Thank you.

Mayor Teso and Council: Thank you.

Mayor Teso: We need a motion to exit Regular Session and convene into Housing Governing Board Session.

Motion by Councilwoman Mendoza to adjourn Regular Session and open the Housing Board Session. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #07 – RESOLUTION NO. 18-08 OF THE HOUSING GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET POLICY FOR THE SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (STHA)

Mr. Yu: Mayor Teso, members of the Council, an explanation of the Housing Governing Board. Basically, the South Tucson City Council serves as the South Tucson Housing Authority's Governing Board, votes on the South Tucson Housing Authority's Housing agenda items. HUD requires that we have a Housing resident represent the residents at Housing Governing Board meetings. Housing resident takes the agenda items to the residents prior to these meetings, solicits input from residents, and then votes on the Housing agenda items, along with the City Council. Alan Benz, a Housing resident, has volunteered to be our resident during City Council meetings as the Housing Governing Board on Housing issues. The purpose of a Housing Governing Board session is that Mr. Benz cannot be part of a City Council, or vote on City Council items, so that is why there needs to be a motion to enter and exit a Housing Governing Board session for Housing matters.

Ms. Chico: Good evening, Mr. Mayor and Council members, ...

Councilman Diaz: Mr. Mayor, Resolution No. 18-08 of the Housing Board, Governing Board of the City of South Tucson, Arizona, and this is the Resolution as it reads. It's for adopting, approving and adopting the operating budget, policy, the operating budget policy for the South Tucson Housing Authority.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilman Diaz: Ms. Chico.

Mayor Teso: Do we have any questions about the resolution itself?

Ms. Chico: I beg your pardon?

(Simultaneous conversation)

Mayor Teso: Yeah, go ahead.

Ms. Chico: Okay. I attended a financial training last month that was given by HUD. One of the things that I had never realized is that each Housing Authority has a choice when it comes to their operating budget in overruns, that we can either choose to revise our budget if any line item is overrun or if the entire budget is overrun as a whole. We were also, it was recommended that it be for the entire budget if it's overrun. So we have, what is it, a one sentence policy here that states, "It is the policy of the STHA, South Tucson Housing Authority, that no budget revisions are required

unless the budget total is overrun." But we have to have a resolution, reviewed and approved by Mayor and Council, in order for this to take place.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Motion by Councilman Diaz that the Mayor and Council approve and adopt Resolution No. 18-08 of the Housing Governing Board of the City of South Tucson, Arizona, approving and adopting the operating budget policy for the South Tucson Housing Authority. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez.

Mayor Teso: Any discussion on the motion?

Councilwoman Rogers: Yes. Just for discussion, do you not have to have, for the record, on the record, the whereas parts?

Mayor Teso: Mr. Yu?

Mr. Yu: Councilwoman Rogers, what are you referring to (inaudible)?

Councilwoman Rogers: (Inaudible) page (inaudible), you know, there's resolutions like 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to make. They all have the whereas, kind of like he just said the word as on the, the person that was here, about the prayer or whatever. The whereas. I'm just asking. I believe they have, they're supposed to be but I don't know. And there's many resolutions, but this is the first one.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: And I think they should be on record if someone requested the audio. I don't know.

Mr. Yu: So is that a question ...

Councilwoman Rogers: That's a ...

Mr. Yu: ... as to ...

Councilwoman Rogers: ... question.

Mr. Yu: ... whether or not the resolution needs to be fully read?

Councilwoman Rogers: Yeah. Instead of just the, all the whereas is entered into the record. By the one reading it.

Mr. Yu: Mayor Teso and Councilwoman Rogers, I don't believe that's necessary to be read, but it can be if that's.

Councilwoman Rogers: Not unless it's necessary.



Mayor Teso: It's not nec-, okay.

Councilwoman Rogers: Thank you.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Vice-Mayor Lopez: (Inaudible) discussion.

Mayor Teso: Excuse me?

Vice-Mayor Lopez: Was that in the discussion?

Councilwoman Rogers: I think it was ...

Mayor Teso: Yeah.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... the discussion.

Mayor Teso: Alright. Okay. As far as the resolution, all those in favor.

Councilwoman Rogers: Who was the second?

Councilwoman Mendoza: You were. Oh, no. Lopez.

Mayor Teso: Yeah, he was the ...

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay. Sorry.

Mayor Teso: All those in favor again?

All ayes, none opposed. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #08 - RESOLUTION NO. 18-09 OF THE HOUSING GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WRITE-OFF OF \$505.00 IN UNCOLLECTIBLE DEBTS FOR THE SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (STHA) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THIS RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT SAME TO HUD AND ITS FEE ACCOUNTANT

Mayor Teso: Any questions about the resolution?

Ms. Chico: Mayor, Council, the Housing Authority does have a write-off policy. HUD does recommend that every Housing Authority write off debts that we know we're not ever going to see. We, when I do this, if you notice that attached to this, there are tenant numbers. I will never give you the tenant name. That's confidential. The amount that's owed and why. If they're elderly or family,



and the reason why they left. Most of these are what we call "midnight moves" or they have skipped on us. In order to help our tenant accounts receivables not have these amounts on the books, HUD says write them off. Now even if they're written off, these amounts and the tenant numbers are put into our computer system that's also shared, in one aspect, for every Housing Authority across the country. So, should any one of these people apply for Housing at another Housing Authority, their name and the amount will come up that they owe us. They will not be allowed to even apply until every penny is paid back to us. So we, and we have had a couple of people, in the past, who wanted to get back into our housing who did pay the debt. And HUD says if you pay the debt and you've waited on the wait list that long, that we give 'em another chance. And I believe most people do deserve a second chance. So the amount here is \$505 that we are requesting be written off by Mayor and Council tonight.

Councilwoman Rogers: When can we ask a question?

Mayor Teso: Excuse me?

Councilwoman Rogers: When can we ask a question?

Mayor Teso: Okay.

Councilwoman Mendoza: When she's done talking, you just say, "Mr. Mayor." Just say, "Mr. Mayor."

Mayor Teso: Okay. Do we have any questions about the resolution?

Councilwoman Rogers: Just, just one, Ms. Chico. How did that one, that third, that third person by number, get like two eleven, two eleven, two eleven, fifty, late fifty, late fifty, late, all that, and still be in the unit?

Ms. Chico: Councilwoman Rogers, unfortunately, this was before we had actually changed our payback agreement policy. Some people would come in and we would work with them. They would promise, they'd call up, there would be another excuse. And this actually happened. We've changed that policy, which each one of our payback people signed that the first time now that they don't honor it, that policy is null and void.

Councilwoman Rogers: Okay.

Ms. Chico: So we've gotten tough.

Councilwoman Rogers: Okay.

Ms. Chico: Okay? So you won't see where we've had these things happen in the past.

Councilwoman Rogers: Thank you.

Ms. Chico: You're welcome.

Councilman Diaz: Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Teso: Yes, Mr. Diaz?

Councilman Diaz: Ms. Chico, in regards to this, the sixty-two forty, the note over here says never moved her belongings in, so she was charged the two-fifty rent anyway?

Ms. Chico: Yes, sir. When we sit down and we lease somebody up, depends on what day they're in the month, they're actually leased up, and we pro-rate the rent for that month. So, our staff pro-rated the rent, had the next month's rent already determined so this new resident knew. Maybe a week later, two weeks later, we found out she didn't want to move in. I believe, yes, she's the one that wanted to end up living with her daughter. She was starting to have some very serious health problems. But unfortunately, these were already entered into our system, even though she never put a piece of furniture in her apartment, once you sign that lease, you now have a pro-rated rent. You also have rents determined for you. So, because you didn't move in, we still have to charge her, even though we are writing it off, so she'll never pay this.

Councilman Diaz: But, did she still owe the \$71?

Ms. Chico: Yes, she does. But, again, all of these people owe us money. And we figure we're probably never going to see a penny of this. That's why we write these off.

Councilman Diaz: Yeah, but if, if she was to recover her health and come back into the system, she would have to pay that \$71 back?

Ms. Chico: Oh, yes, sir. She would because this, she had already been charged this amount because she was going to move in. As far as we knew, she was moving in until she came into the office and let Ms. Calderon know, our Public Housing Specialist, know that she wasn't going to move in. Her daughter wanted her to move in with her because of her health. So once it's on the books, we can't just take it off. We have to have it written off and approve through a resolution by our Board. Otherwise, I can go in there and write everybody's off and we'd be wonderful. That's not how it works.

Councilman Diaz: Okay. Thank you.

Ms. Chico: You're welcome.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Teso: Yes.

Councilwoman Mendoza: I just have one question. At any time, does the write offs ever affect your turnaround time for an apartment? Like getting these approved or is the financial side of write offs totally separate from turning those apartments around within the five days that are now in the Housing plan?

Ms. Chico: It's completely different.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay.

Ms. Chico: The people are already out and we're already starting to work on these apartments. I'm not even sure which apartment this one was in, but we only have two apartments that are unfilled right now.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay. And those are offline, online?

Ms. Chico: They're online. We're working on getting the people to lease up with us. But this has nothing to do with that.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay.

Ms. Chico: Totally separate.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay. So it does not affect the turnaround time of an apartment.

Ms. Chico: No, not at ...

Councilwoman Mendoza: Getting ...

Ms. Chico: ... all.

Councilwoman Mendoza: ... these write-offs approved.

Ms. Chico: Right.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay.

Mayor Teso: Any other discussion, questions?

Councilwoman Rogers: (Inaudible).

Mayor Teso: Okay. Do I hear a motion for approval of resolution presented?

Motion by Councilwoman Mendoza to approve Resolution No. 18-09. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez.

Mayor Teso: Any discussion on the motion?

(No discussion by the Council)

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #09 - RESOLUTION NO. 18-10 OF THE HOUSING GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE REVISIONS TO THE SECTION EIGHT ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN FOR THE SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (STHA)

Ms. Chico: Mr. Mayor and Council, for our Section 8 Housing Program we have a policy that shows us our procedures and our operations on how to run the Section 8 program. It's called our "Administrative Plan". We get lazy and we call it an "Admin Plan". We have to revise this. And I went through because it had not been revised for a good year, and we're supposed to do this annually. So, line by line in the policy, probably two and a half inches thick, I noted every single revision in this that affects our Housing. A lot of them are mandated by HUD when it comes to revisions. Others are at our discretion as a Housing Authority. The ones that are our discretion were not changed. The only revisions were the new mandated revisions. For every one that we do, I must note that, which I believe you got a copy of. And I also have to make a copy of that page and I put an arrow there to actually show where it is. So, in the Interim City Manager's Office is a copy of the entire policy as well as every single change. We have many changes dealing with our Violence Against Women's Act because it was enhanced. There were several policy number changes. We had information about vulnerable youths, changing it from independent children to vulnerable, I mean that's how much, it is a change of wording, it's, it can revise this budget. Also, as far as lead-based paint went, there was quite a bit of revisions in there. Let's see what else. Just revisions throughout. Actually, too numerous, but you can get an idea by looking at the list that I put together, trying to make it as easy as possible to find the chapter and the page number, and where it was. This is a nightmare. We also have it for the Low Rent Program, public housing, which is all the admissions and continued occupancy policy, the ACOP. So, I will be working on that one probably in another month or two, so you'll get something like this, but for our other program. So this, again, is all of our revisions. Once the Board reviews and if you approve it, this will be sent, all of our resolutions, once signed, are sent to HUD. This will also be sent to HUD, along with the pages of every change. And if they want, I will send them the one inch ...

Unknown: (Inaudible).

Ms. Chico: ... showing them exactly (inaudible). This was also one of our problem areas for our, and I'll get into that, our sustainability action plan. So once this is sent to HUD, this is completed and closed.

Mayor Teso: Okay. Thank you.

Councilman Diaz: Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Teso: Yes, Mr. Diaz.

Motion by Councilman Diaz to approve Resolution No. 18-10. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez.

Mayor Teso: Any discussion on the motion?

(No discussion by the Council)

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #10 - RESOLUTION NO. 18-11 OF THE HOUSING GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2018 PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY (PHA) PLAN FOR THE SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (STHA)

Ms. Chico: Mr. Mayor and Council, annually, every Housing Authority has to put together what's called a Public Housing Authority Plan, a PHA plan. Most of it is just a template of checking boxes and also, but also letting you and HUD know what we've been working on, such as our revised admin plan that would be noted, as well as items that we want to put in our 2018 capital fund program and I know this is probably Greek right now, but I will explain all of this later. HUD, thankfully, came out with the new mandate that if a Housing Authority is not troubled, is on a qualified list, we actually do not have to send in the policy, or the PHA plan that was only about an inch thick. We are one of three Housing Authorities in Arizona that are qualified, yeah, and, sorry, and don't have to send in the actual policy, or any policy. But what HUD does want is a resolution by the Board as well as a form, which is our Civil Rights form, signed by the Board Chair, Mayor. That is the whole reason for this resolution.

Mayor Teso: Okay. Do we have any questions about the resolution?  
(No questions from the Council)

Motion by Councilman Diaz to approve Resolution No. 18-11 of the Housing Governing Board of the City of South Tucson. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Teso: May I have a motion to exit the Housing Governing Board session?

Ms. Chico: We're not done with Housing.

Mayor Teso: We're not there yet?

Ms. Chico: No, I'm sorry.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

(Simultaneous conversation)

ITEM #11 - HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT: MARILYN CHICO, HOUSING DIRECTOR, MONTHLY REPORT/APRIL 2018

Ms. Chico: The first couple of pages, because I know we do have some new people on the Board that may or may not know a whole lot about the Housing Authority, so the first couple of pages is just kind of a Housing 101. What I want you to know is that we are a department of the City. We are a Housing Authority where we house extremely low and very low income families. One hundred

percent of our funding comes from HUD. We don't get a penny from the City of South Tucson. We have two different types of Housing; that's our Public Housing. We also refer to it as Low Rent, and our Section 8 Housing. We also have bank accounts set up for each one of our programs because each one has to have its own revenue and expenditures, we have to account for every penny and every one of those accounts, and they are never ever, ever comingled with the City accounts. Nobody touches that money except for me, after everyone in the world has looked at it. Believe me, I don't do anything on my own. City Manager will look at what I'm doing. Finance looks at what I'm doing and HUD certainly looks at what I'm doing as well as our fee accountant. So, very clean. We want to keep it that way. That's why we had no physical audit findings. Very clean operation. We have our buildings, we have 50 family units right in back of our office on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. They range from 1 to 4 bedrooms. We have two 3-story buildings that are only for elderly and disabled; 50 apartments each, and we have 11 duplexes scattered throughout the City of South Tucson that are 3 bedroom. So, we have four different developments. So I just want, and we have a very small staff because we are a small Housing Authority. But on these first two pages will give you some more information and you can read that at your leisure, just to give you some more info about Housing. And if you would ever like to come over and see our office and take a tour, we would love that. This meeting is the first time I'm doing a Board report the way that HUD wants us to. A few months ago, HUD came down, found some problems with our office. We got into a Sustainability Agreement that was signed by the Mayor and by Housing, and also by HUD, which resulted in an action plan. And this is the long form that's in the packet I just gave you. But I'm kind of jumping the gun here a little bit. There's a lot to cover. We have taken care of a lot of these items. But for this very first time, I wanted to go through the packet with you so we have a better understanding of what you're going to get in the future in your packet that City Clerk would put together for you. On top of that is my monthly report for April. It's telling you what's going on in our Public Housing. We did have a meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup>, which is required, for all residents. They're all noticed and they can attend or not, depending on what they want to do, to discuss our 2018 PHA plan that you just approved, and any items they thought we needed as far as rehab work for any of our buildings, for our 2018 Capital Fund Program. Capital funds are all used to take care of those major and expensive items that our Public Housing Operating Funds can't handle. Our operating funds take care of office supplies, salaries, materials needed for rehabs, repairs, that kind of thing. We've had several million, quite frankly, that have gone into our Housing through capital funds. We've put in security lighting. We've put in security fence, security gates, security cameras. We've replaced our chillers. We've replaced our boilers. We've done an awful lot of work; repainting the buildings so people would have more pride in where they lived, items like that. So, for 2018, and you will get, I'll be catching you all on that, keeping you informed of what we're doing and exactly how much money we're getting for 2018 'cause right now, we don't know. But I do know that El Senorial, which is our elderly and disabled building, all the plumbing in that 47 year old building needs to be replaced. Major item. We've been hit with two lines that went down. The lines go vertically so they affect three apartments. It's not very pleasant for those residents and it gets expensive for us coming out of Operating Funds. That's why we want to take care of all the plumbing when we get the 2018 funding. Our occupancy rate as of today is 99%. That's another yeah! That was on our sustainability action plan because our occupancy was low. If our occupancy is low, we're not getting the subsidy that we should, we get into a lot of trouble, and if we get to 98%, we maintain that, we've gone from a sub-standard Housing Authority and that just chokes me, to a high performer. So we are doing everything we can to prove to ourselves, to you, to HUD that we are high performers and doggone it, we know what we're doing. So we are now at 99%. And the staff has worked really hard to do that. It's not easy sometimes getting people to come in, or even



respond, that they're still interested in our housing. So we've changed that a little bit. Now we've got them coming in and that's why we're now at 99. Housing Choice Voucher, that's same type of program, basically, as our Public Housing except that our clients there get to pick where they're going to live. Homes, apartments, mobile homes that, where the owner of that property will allow Section 8. Most love it because they're guaranteed paid rent. There's very few, I don't think we have any clients that actually pay the contract rent. So we are paying the majority of their rent. Right now, we have 92 vouchers that our families have, which means they're in a place because of Section 8, but 10 of those have ported to the City of Tucson. Porting is when there are people and they don't want to live in the City of South Tucson, they want to live somewhere else. They can live anywhere they want as long as there is a Section 8 program there. And there's no waiting list, there's no nothing they have to go through. But the people that port are still considered our lease ups and we pay the other city, as we do the City of Tucson, to take care of our clients; do all the paperwork, all the reports and all of that for HUD. And it's a small amount but we also have to pay them what they have to pay the homeowner with the rent or if they have to, as we also do, pay some of our clients because they have such a low income, not only can they not afford to pay rent, but they can't afford to pay all of their utilities. So we help 'em with the utilities also. So, with our ports, we have to pay the City of Tucson, that's the only Housing Authority right now they've ported to, those fees. Capital Fund Program, 2014 is closed, 2015 is closed. I've already sent in the paperwork and had legally closed by HUD and we had the fee accountants look at 'em and everything was fine. But 2016, we had to have 90% of funding obligated by April 15<sup>th</sup>; 99% was obligated in March, and I think we have less than \$1,000 right now left in that grant. Soon as I send in our payables to City Finance so they can cut checks, this will be a zero. We'll be closing that out. And that was one of our items also on the Sustainability Action Plan. So the only one we'll have open for right now, well, that, less than \$1,000 and '16 is 2017. What we had planned there were two smokers ramadas. We advertised it. We received no bids. So we're going to try again. We also wanted to repaint all of El Senorial and things happen for a reason. We had no bidders on that one either. But if we go in there and we start tearing up walls and replacing the plumbing, the contractor that does that work won't have to pay for, well, either way it gets paid by us, but we won't have to put that into the contract because we will have painters going to paint it anyway, all the interior. So, the ramadas, the building interior painting, which includes all the common areas, not the apartments, the hallways, all the door wells, or door, doors and the elevator doors. And we had no bidders for that. Hopefully, this time we will. I am also working on a smoke free Housing policy that is mandated by HUD. We have no say. It has to happen by the end of July. I sent in policies. We had meetings about this last year because it was supposed to have gone into effect by February of this year. HUD extended the time. So now it's July. The management person at HUD, Margaret Skipper, asked how I was doing. I said it's, you know, it's done. However we'd like you to take a look at it, make sure everything is there because I don't want to go before the Board and then find out that I have missed something, and come back and look foolish. I do that anyway, but. So it's all up in HUD right now. As soon as she takes a look and makes sure that everything is in there that's mandated by HUD then I will present that to, I keep saying Mayor, you're actually Chairman, we're in the Housing, to the Chairman and the Board for approval. I'm looking at this going into effect July 1<sup>st</sup>. I would like to come to you, Chairman and Board, some time in May to get this approved so I can, again, remind all the residents and give them a 30-day notice, at least, this is what is going to happen. And that's a biggie. And I know we're going to have a lot of fighters on that. April 11<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup> (inaudible) financial analyst from HUD was going to be here. Unfortunately, his aunt passed away. He's somewhere back east for the funeral and will reschedule this for the latter part of May. The sustain, yes, sir?



Vice-Mayor Lopez: I have a question. What kind of a snake you had in your drain?

Ms. Chico: What kind of snake do we have for our drains?

Vice-Mayor Lopez: In your drains, yeah.

Ms. Chico: Right now, one that's not long enough. That's also part of our 2018 CFP plan item. We have snakes, they're not pulling down far enough. So, we are going to get one that's like a commercial size because I'm tired of paying Roto Rooter to come out and clean out drains, you know, a couple times at least every month. So, talking this over with our maintenance supervisor, I said forget it. We're going to get our own, our guys can do their own snaking inside the drains, clean the stuff out. We need to save money. So, that's the snake that they put down into the drains and clean out clogs.

Vice-Mayor Lopez: Thank you.

Ms. Chico: You're welcome. So we're working on the Sustainability Action Plan. And we'll get to that, but they always will say working copy until it's completely closed. The Section 8 Admin Plan Revisions, thank you very much, that's been done. I worked on our Low Rent Operating Budget. I sent a questionnaire where I have to submit lots of information to our fee accountant. They put the file budget together for me. I'll review it. Once I'm happy with it, I bring it forward to Board and Council for final approval. And that's what we've got to live on for the next year. Semi-annual Labor Enforcement forms were sent in. They're due the first part of April. That lets HUD know if we have any contracts, if there were Davis-Bacon wages involved, how much. Also, if we had any problems with a contractor. If we did have a major contract going, if there were problems with the contractor paying the sub-contractor. We had no major contracts during the period for this report. And then at the very end, what I note is the different reports that I will be sending in your packet to you. So if you flip the page, as of April 9, 2018, what I've done is list our developments, 25-1 is our Family Section. It's called Colonial (inaudible). I'm sorry. My mouth is dry. Progresso. I used to say it a lot better than that. It (inaudible) 25-2, 3, and 5, tell you the number of units we have, units available, units occupied, and our percentage. Right now, we're at 99%. At the bottom of that, I also wanted to show you our total charges for rent. This includes late fees, if they are given a, we charge \$5 if somebody has extra freezer or something in their apartment. So, for the total charges for March, it was \$27,790.93. We collected \$27,359 and change. Right now, our balance is \$411. However, with the write-off that you just wrote, we have a credit on the books, which is almost unheard of. So, our change in our policy and things are working. People are paying on their backs. Nicely, over on their backs. So you will get this report, tells you how much we've collected and our occupancy. Work order process; the work orders were one of our major problems that we had, which also was part of the Sustainability Action Plan. And I had been requested prior to actually submit the work order process. This is our internal policy, which did not have to come to Board and Council. We have an internal way of doing something. So I attached the work order process and it's working. So we've had to tighten up on this, but our crew is working, taking care of the work orders as they should. So I'm pleased. Also, wanted to put in, this is what I do every month also is I keep track every single day of every revenue and every expenditure for our programs. The first one is Low Rent, and of course, this is going to be for March. We're always going to be a month behind. And I'm doing this until our

fee accountant catches up but I can actually give you a financial statement. But for right now, this shows you every penny that's come in and every penny that's gone out. And HUD, as well as our fee accountant, as you see at the bottom, they do want to know how much in rent. We had also received some more for rent after the first, goes back into March. Sometimes people will pay like April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or March, so this shows a little differently than the other one that shows our total charges and what we collected. Other HUD, other receipts, HUD contributions, that is our subsidy that we get each month for the Low Rent program and our total ...

(Coughing in background)

Ms. Chico: ... (inaudible) I also bring forward anything, any revenue that wasn't posted by the end of the month. Sometimes we'll get something saying March 30<sup>th</sup> and we actually don't get it to the bank until April 1<sup>st</sup>. Well, it didn't happen this year. That was Sunday, but that happens often. It shows what was deposited from last month. So our, the debits should always align. And so you get that for Low Rent, that's our busy program. Security deposits, usually these are new people moving in. We do work with them because it's hard, expensive to move. So we will work with them. They don't have to pay all of the security deposit at one time. But this will show you deposits as well as what we paid out, which is always in a payable, so I put that there so if anybody has a question, I can go right to that payable and tell you who and what and all the information. And then the last one is for the Section 8 program. You can see how much we paid for, or half, well, we get sixty, well, this one, March, we got \$66,000. That's just for paying the homeowner that actually, you know, for the contract rent as well as any utility assistance to those clients. So, and then we have our payables because we will have changes, you know, when they, something happens to one of our clients income, that means we're going to be paying more to a landlord, more utility help for this client because he or she is no longer working, whatever may be the case. So we do have those changes throughout the month also, so those are also noted in here. And I'll show you what our bank balance is at the end of the month. The next page, just so you have an idea, shows how much we're paying in utilities. This is not what we're paying our clients for utility help. This is simply the utilities in our buildings. Sometimes we had either vacant apartments, only two now, or we have residents who are, we call them a hardship. They have no income coming in whatsoever except for food stamps. And we don't count that as income. They need to eat. So, we get all of the bills for those folks, as well as for our office we pay all utilities for our two elderly disabled buildings, we pay all water for our family section. So this will just show you how many have the therms, the kilowatt hours, CCS, as well as the actual amounts that we pay. And I do this monthly. This also goes to our fee accountant. You can see where it's starting to come down a little bit. Oh, you know what? Did I give you, I didn't. Oh, shoot. I gave you the wrong one. I beg your pardon. I did January and February. March is done and I gave you the wrong form because I had just done it. So the next time, I will show you that. But I beg your pardon because I do have the March numbers. I just got the wrong form in this packet to you. And then just so you have an idea of the capital funds, this will show you every capital fund we have, 0017, a total of \$3,403,000. We actually used \$3,253,000 and we have \$150,800 plus still remaining. So that, on top of what we're going to receive for 2018, we can combine those, you know, for (inaudible) we're able to use the numbers together or separately because we have a plan that previous Board had approved, HUD has approved, it's a 5-year plan. It had, say plumbing that we're going to have to do in 2018, we weren't seeing that happen until about 2020, 2021. But because of priorities, we can go ahead and do it. So we can go back and forth, based on need and priority.

offices, our workroom where our copiers and fax, all that is. Maintenance shelf which is nightmare that we had him go, you know, the maintenance supervisor go through that and inventory, make sure the inventory was there, as well as all of the items, computers, printers, old faxes that we have just kept that we needed to dispose of. So the inventory system is in, it's working. Our obligations, like I said, our 2016, had to be obligated. We needed 90% of that. We're at 99%. I've got less than a thousand. We'll be closing this. So we're ahead of the game there. Expenditures, same thing. We had to use up that money. So that was for 2014, if you look way to the right, it says completed closed. What we want is completed closed on every single one of these items. There were 382 open work orders from '15 and '16 that maintenance did not show. You know, it's like a child who does the homework and doesn't give that homework to his teacher. They had, a lot of these items had been done, but they were on their desk in the maintenance shop. They have to be given to our staff person up front so she can enter it into the system and actually show it as closed. So we've gone through 382 down to, I think, about 70, maybe 60 right now. D1 Compliance Report, this was our Admin Plan 'cause we had not reviewed it and revised it. It was revised and thankfully, it's been approved by the Board tonight, so I can send that in, get that closed. The Sustainability Agreement, that's completed and closed because we sent in the executed agreement. (Inaudible) sustainability Okay. This will be a continuing item for the monitoring and reporting 'cause we have to prove ourselves through June 30<sup>th</sup> as well as September 30<sup>th</sup>. So hopefully, by October 1<sup>st</sup>, we can get this thing closed and I can look at it and go phew! And good luck for whomever takes the minutes, trying to make that one out. And then our past score, this is a scoring that HUD does through reports and reporting that we do annually and they will actually give us a pass score. It's like a performance thing. Because in 2017, that's where we were substandard. That's the reason for this. I'm fully expecting that we are going to be high performers for 2018. That's the (inaudible). So this will keep you updated. It will let you know our progress in every one of these. I'm sorry this took so long, but I did want to go over the first one with you. After that, if you have questions, by all means, you can always contact me.

Mayor Teso: Thank you very much.

Ms. Chico: Thank you.

Mayor Teso: Do I have a motion to exit Housing Governing Board Session and convene into Regular Session?

Motion by Councilwoman Mendoza to exit Housing Governing Board Session and convene into Regular Session. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez.

Mayor Teso: Any discussion on the motion?

(No discussion by Council)

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #12 – RESOLUTION NO. 18-12 OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, RATIFYING, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE

SOUTH TUCSON POLICE DEPARTMENT (STPD) AND THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF  
HOMELAND SECURITY (AZDOHS) FOR THE GRANT TITLE "OPSG OVERTIME AND MILEAGE",  
DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE SOUTH TUCSON POLICE CHIEF TO EXECUTE THE  
FUNDING AGREEMENT

Chief Amado: Mr. Mayor, members of the Council, for the benefit of the Council as well as the audience, I would like to explain what the OSG Grant is, more commonly known as Operation Stone Garden. I think it's necessary because there is either misinformation, perhaps misperception of what the monies are used for. It's been in the news. There was some contention with the Supervisors. We've been participating, meaning the City of South Tucson, the South Tucson Police Department, with this grant for over ten years. It's not anything new. The scope of the grant and the monies that are used for it are to target criminal activity in general that comes in across our borders. It's not, here's what it's not. It's not an Immigration Enforcement Grant. And I think that that's been the misperception that's been put out because it's tied to Homeland Security. In looking at the daily activity reports which, by the way, are available online. You can go to the Department of Homeland Security and see what information is collected when we do an operation. So, when I said that in part it's criminal activity, that could be drug trafficking, that could be human trafficking, that could be cartel involvement. Basically, anything that jeopardizes United States citizenry. And it's not just from Mexico. It could be from Canada. It could be from Cuba. It could be from Russia. It is, again, monies as part, that is used to target criminal activity that may come across. So how do we use it? The scope of the grant is you use it for overtime for officers for targeted enforcement. Also for what's known as HVE, which is High Visibility Enforcement. Sometimes, that's like traffic stops. Okay. You do, you run traffic on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. You look for speeders, for people running red lights. You know, stop signs. But even when you make the stop and you've got to have probable cause for the stop, you don't immediately, as an officer, walk up and say, you know, "Are you here illegally?" You have to ask for identification, etc. etc. And if there is a suspicion that they are here illegally, then you have an option of contacting Border Patrol. And that's the way it's been for years. Again, that's not anything new. It was like that when I first started as a road officer 30 years ago. And Border Patrol has a reasonable amount of time to arrive. Now, for us in South Tucson, when you have two officers working, a reasonable amount of time could be twenty seconds, thirty seconds, because we can't be tied up because then that leaves one officer out, so it's, okay, here's your ticket for whatever. Or hey, slow down, have a nice day. So, like I said, I wanted to clarify that. When, as a matter of fact, Matt and I were just talking this morning and we were talking a couple weeks back, that we were looking at using these grant monies for addressing the shoplifting issue at Walgreen's. We get a lot of calls for shoplifting. And, of course, when we get there, they're gone. So, the idea instead of using our budget, 'cause we really don't have overtime, we use the grant monies to figure out a plan, you know, maybe get some officers outside of their regular duty hours, whether it's maybe an undercover shopper, something like that, but we use these monies to pay for that. We also get reimbursed for mileage. The City does. Anything that's used for our vehicles in the scope of this grant, we get reimbursed. We can buy certain equipment with it. There's also a list of things that we cannot buy. Body cameras, for example, we can't buy. Vehicles, tanks, we can't buy. But we can get like a license plate reader. We can get imaging enhancement equipment, as long as, and we can have it installed in the vehicles, as long as at some point, that vehicle gets used for a Stone Garden Operation. The other thing we were looking at using that money for is addressing some of our problem properties. We know that there are properties where drug trafficking occurs. There's a possibility, although we may not know for sure unless we have intelligence, that it could have come



across the border, whether it's from Mexico, whether it's from Canada, it doesn't matter. That's what we're looking at. So, that's the scope of what the grant monies are for. And like I said, we, we've been using it for over ten years. We can put, it helps us also by putting within the City of South Tucson, more visibility as far as officers out on the street that the grant monies are being paid for, not out of our budget. If there's any questions, ...

Councilwoman Rogers: Yes, ...

Chief Amado: ... (inaudible).

Councilwoman Rogers: ... (inaudible).

Chief Amado: About the grant. Yes, ma'am.

Councilwoman Rogers: When I get to address (inaudible) I'd like to ask a question or just ...

Mayor Teso: Go ahead.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... (inaudible). I read all of it, which is a lot of it. I just want to be sure that page 5, which is you're not supplanting anything, are you?

Chief Amado: No. No, ma'am.

Councilwoman Rogers: Okay.

Chief Amado: Not under my watch, no.

Councilwoman Rogers: Okay. Thank you.

Mayor Teso: Thank you very much.

Councilman Diaz: Mr. Amado, Mr. Mayor, ...

Mayor Teso: Yes, Councilman.

Councilman Diaz: ... has there been an audit or current audit on, on this particular program?

Chief Amado: We are required to provide quarterly reports of the information that's collected on the (inaudible). So, if you're talking about an audit, the Department of Homeland Security does an audit for the grant. If you're referring to it like an outside audit, I don't believe so, just what is required of the grant. And like I said, everything that is collected is right here; a misdemeanor arrest, felony arrest, stolen vehicles, vehicle seizures, weapon seizures, vehicle stops. And it also has like the name of the officer, the start time, the end time, how many hours they worked, how much of the monies from the grant were expended, juveniles, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, meth, other drugs, all of that is captured here because, again, we're targeting criminal activity. And a good majority of it is

drug activity. So, that's what the Department of Homeland Security checks when they do, you know, we turn in our report.

Councilman Diaz: Yeah, I was just following up on the supplant, supplanting items or anything like that that it would be a, where the expenditures could be shown some place that we, somebody could see them or is that public information or, or not?

Chief Amado: I'm still not quite sure ...

Councilman Diaz: The expenditures, in regards to the expenditures.

Councilwoman Rogers: (Inaudible) fifty-seven (inaudible) ...

Councilman Diaz: Is there any way that somebody can look at those expenditures to see if, what we bought with that money?

Chief Amado: I would have to defer to the City Attorney. I think possibly, under FOIA, that might be able to be, you know, looked at. We did have, as you know, it was, there was a, a Public Information Request, Freedom of Information Act, I call it, as I use the acronym, FOIA. There was a public, there was an information request from the Board of Supervisors for the County from agencies. And we got kind of caught in the middle of that because U.S. Border Patrol, who are really administrators of the grant, Department of Homeland Security, said well, no, you can't release that because it's proprietary information that belongs to us. And under third party, under the law, you can't third party release that. Well, some agencies did. The City Attorney and I were looking at the information that we could release because we do want to comply with it. We want to be transparent, you know, with it to show that, you know, we're not supplanting anything. We're following the grant policies and processes, but again, you know, then the Border Patrol said, well, we need to discuss this with our attorney to see if you can. And I don't even know what the last ruling was. They might have even said, yeah, go ahead and release it or send it to us and we'll release it. But we were already in the process of doing the proper actions; personal information that could be victim's names, things like that, you know, not to be released. But as far as any other kind of audit, as far as requesting that information, I think probably anybody could request it and it would be just a matter of seeing what information could be released under the guidelines.

Councilman Diaz: Thank you.

Ms. Moreno: (Inaudible) Mayor, members of the Council, I would like to (inaudible) Executive Summary where it does make mention to the fact that any overtime that is charged to this grant is to be pre-authorized. So, it's not like any officer or anybody that can charge any time to this grant has the leisure to just go ahead and, you know, make their own decision upon themselves to go work an extra day to supplant, per se. It is ac-, the time charged needs to be pre-authorized in advance of charging the grant.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Mr. Mayor, just real quick. Who authorizes?

Ms. Moreno: It needs to go ...

Councilwoman Mendoza: Who pre-authorizes those?

Ms. Moreno: It needs, well, let me, I'm going to refer to the, enter this agreement, the Police Department must first coordinate the eligible operation of overtime hours in order to request pre-authorization from the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. So they authorize it before it can be charged.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay. Follow up question then, is there a particular person in our Police Department, right now, that gets to assign to specific officers duties that fall underneath this category and if so, my question would be, how long has that officer been doing this? Because I don't want favoritism to start coming into play at any point in time. So, is there, at some point, have we looked at who's in charge of that and how often we are rotating that? Because, you know, having the same person in charge of picking who, you know, picking what and who and, you know, ...

Chief Amado: Right.

Councilwoman Mendoza: ... is in charge of that can, can sometimes become a personal thing instead of a business decision.

Chief Amado: Councilwoman Mendoza, Mr. Mayor, if I may, I think the best person to answer that would be Commander Shonk since he's been dealing with it for so long. He was just informing me that it's on a voluntary basis as far as the officers working this. So, I'm not sure that it's assigned, necessarily, but he can respond to that and also, that a lot of the information that you were talking about is kept in record by our Finance Department because those finances are tracked. So, with the permission of the Mayor and Council, I think Commander Shonk would be in the best position to answer some of those questions.

Commander Shonk: Mr. Mayor and Council, Vice-Mayor, Councilwoman Mendoza, the officers, it's strictly on a voluntary basis. We don't assign, we don't say, who wants, who's going to do it? It's strictly asked, does anybody want to do Stone Garden? We, if we're allotted so much money every year, this particular grant is \$60,000; \$57,000 for overtime, \$3,000 for mileage. The officers are on a voluntary basis. They tell Sgt. Cajas, Edward Cajas, right now is the, who does the daily activity reports. It's, he doesn't get to pick and choose which officers want, gets to work. The officers go to him and say, I'm going to work this day. They have to do it in the, in a pre-coordinated fashion. He then has to get in touch with the Border Patrol, the duty supervisor here in Tucson, and tell them, okay, on this date, like a week in advance, two weeks in advance, I'm not sure what the exact time is, but it's in advance, this officer is going to work these hours. Then after the officer worked, that day when the officer comes into work, the officer has to call in to the station as well and tell them, okay, this is Officer, just as an example, South, with the South Tucson Police Department. I'm going to be working from 6 o'clock in the morning till 10 o'clock in the morning. And then they will tell him, okay, thank you. And then when he's calls, when he's done, he has to call and say, okay, I'm done. Then that authorizes the billing for those funds that were expended after he turns in the card, he turns in his information to them and then Sgt. Cajas has to submit it through a computer program online to them as well. Then our, that gets sent to our Finance Department on a City overtime sheet, charged to, a



code for Federal Grants 52, which then gets charged to that account. And then the City puts in for reimbursement from the federal government. Well, in this case, from that grant.

Councilwoman Mendoza: And how long has Mr. Cajas been doing this?

Councilwoman Rogers: Forever.

Commander Shonk: About three years or so. But, again, he doesn't get to approve anything. I approve everything operations-wise that who gets, you know, as far as who's working what. There's enough money there that any officer that wants to work, can work. We currently, truthfully, I only have two officers that work under the grant. And those two officers are the only ones that want to do it. The other officers, in all honesty, used to do it more, but the federal government has made the grant so difficult with the amount of paperwork that has to be done when you work it, a lot of the officers just said I don't want to do it any more. So there's currently only two officers that actually ...

(Coughing in background)

Commander Shonk: ... (inaudible) of that pool of money for overtime.

Councilwoman Mendoza: Okay. That answered my question.

Chief Amado: To add, if I may, to what Commander said, and thank you. I'm still learning the Stone Garden grant. Back in the day when I worked here, we had the Weed and Seed. And then we all knew, so this is, this is still a learning curve for me. As the Commander stated, he's the one that oversees and looks at who's getting assigned to what. It is voluntary. We have some officers that, you know, at the end of their shift, they want to get home to families. And because of some of the shortages in staffing we've been experiencing, some of our officers, many of our officers have been held over for four hours, with other officers coming in four hours. So, you know, they're ready to go home. But with that being said, it does have its benefits as far as, again, as I explained, targeted enforcement with criminal activity in the City. It's, it's been to our advantage for quite a bit of time.

Mayor Teso: Any other discussion?

(No discussion from the Council)

Motion by Councilman Diaz to approve Resolution No. 18-12. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza.

Mayor Teso: Any discussion of the motion?

(No discussion from the Council)

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #14 - REPORTS

Mayor Teso: Are there any reports?

Ms. Moreno: Yes, Mayor and members of the Council. I'd like to report that the next Council meeting is next Monday. So far, I have to items on the agenda. There will be a Study Session on the budget and also an Executive Session item where the topic is an update on the secondary property claim. And I'd also like to let the Council know that, at this time where we place the reports on the agenda, Mayor and Council can feel free to also, you know, make any reports on their part, for the record, if they'd like to and make any special announcements or just make any comments.

Councilwoman Rogers: At this time?

Ms. Moreno: Mm hm.

Councilwoman Rogers: Is that where we do that?

Ms. Moreno: We could do that right now with the Mayor's ...

Councilwoman Rogers: I always ...

Ms. Moreno: ... (inaudible).

Councilwoman Rogers: ... wondered because there's never any way you could talk to the other six people, etcetera. You just si-, there was just any place you could announce something, you know, like all of the people who were at the Saturday event said hello to you all, Council. And that would be on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the Garden, whatever, and congratulations, etcetera. And that's my part and my two-tenths of the, point two part of the City. That's, ...

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: ... I created that for myself. So I wanted to let you know and the recipe, I forgot to bring you (inaudible) but this one is called, and I will get it to you, it's called Undeviled Eggs. And I've heard so much about (inaudible) Spanish. But I'm bringing you that recipe. So, yeah, you can never tell anybody what other people said in the community 'cause there's no place to tell unless I call six people.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Councilwoman Rogers: So that would be Reports.

Vice-Mayor Lopez: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to report that we have an event at the House of Neighborly Service on the 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 9:00, which is a Take Back the Night. And then, no, that's on 4/11. On 4/12, we also have, it's our Neighborhood Watch Program meeting at 6 o'clock at HNS. And then also on 4/14, from 9:00 to 1:00, we have our Health Fair, which is also at HNS, which is the House of Neighborly Service. So, hopefully, you all can, everybody can attend these events here that are being put out for the community. Thank you.

Councilman Diaz: Mr. Mayor, along with that, I request that the City Clerk put out an announcement that Council people will be there, more than the three, a majority, and no City business will be discussed.

Mayor Teso: Thank you.

Councilwoman Rogers: I think it has to be posted.

Mayor Teso: Right.

Ms. Moreno: Excuse me, Mayor. For which of the events are you referring to? All three of them?

Councilman Diaz: All three of 'em, yeah.

Mayor Teso: Any other reports? Is that it?

Vice-Mayor Lopez: Yes.

Mayor Teso: Okay.

**ITEM #15 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

Mayor Teso: Number 14, we'd like to pass this item in Call to the Audience, offering it at the beginning of the meeting.

**ITEM #16 – ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilwoman Rogers to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Lopez. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

  
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ATTEST:

  
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Veronica Moreno, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of South Tucson, Arizona, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018. I further certify the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2018.

  
Veronica Moreno, City Clerk